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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

ADDRESS REPLY TO
CHIEF, BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY

AND REFER TO
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December 15, 1927.

City Building Inspector,

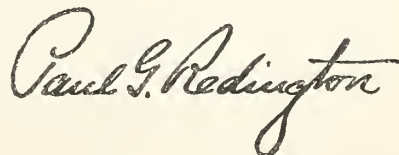
Dear Sir:

Some time ago we wrote to the building inspectors of the chief cities of the country to learn what rat-proofing regulations, if any, were included in their building laws. At that time 13 cities reported having rat-proof ordinances and 13 others were considering the addition of rat-proofing clauses in their building code.

We are in need of further information for statistical purposes. Will you not kindly assist us in this undertaking by furnishing information along the lines set forth on the accompanying sheet. If desired, the information given will be kept confidential so far as publishing it with the name of the city is concerned.

Assuring you that whatever cooperation you can give us will be of real constructive help in a movement of far-reaching benefit, I am

Sincerely yours,



Paul G. Redington,
Chief.

Inclosure

Please fill in blanks and return to Chief, Biological Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., before January 15, 1928, if possible, or as soon thereafter as convenient, using the franked envelope (requiring no postage) supplied for the purpose.

Information regarding rat control measures --

City _____ State _____

1. Does your building code include an ordinance or any clause designed for the primary purpose of excluding rats from buildings?

2. Does your building code include a fire-stopping regulation or any other regulation that would indirectly serve to assist in keeping rats out of buildings?

3. Would you consider the addition of a practical anti-rat building clause in your building code desirable?

4. If your building code includes an ordinance or any clause designed for the primary purpose of excluding rats from buildings, will you kindly attach a copy, if available, together with any literature sent out by authorities of your city on the subject of rat control.

The above information supplied by --

Signature _____

Official title _____

Date _____ 192__.

